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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2009-C-33 Deceased:

Date of Incident: August 09, 2009 Date of Death: August 10, 2009

**Operator:** Marfork Coal Company **Mine:** Slip Ridge Cedar Grove Mine

**Decision:** Not Chargeable

a unanimous decision, the Fatality Review Committee has determined that the death
should not be charged to the mining industry.
, a 31 year old security guard, was found unconscious by the side of a
ad near his duty area. As he was being attended to, regained
nsciousness. He complained of chest pain and vomited. He remained conscious on
e way to the hospital but died the next day. He was a diabetic and took insulin. The
ath certificate indicated that the death was due to natural causes with the immediate
use being a cardiac arrest due to a pulmonary embolism secondary to deep vein
rombosis. No autopsy was performed. The MSHA investigation found no signs of
ysical or environmental hazards in the work area.

Based on the death certificate and the results of MSHA's investigation, the Fatality Review Committee members concluded that died from natural causes and that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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